ITEM #0950043A - WETLAND GRASS ESTABLISHMENT

Description: The work included in this item shall consist of providing an accepted stand of established wetland grasses by furnishing and placing seed as shown on the plans, permits, or as directed by the Environmental Scientist from the Connecticut Department of Transportation's Office of Environmental Planning within the Wetland Mitigation Areas or other areas when required.

Materials: All approved seed mixtures shall be obtained in sufficient quantities to meet the pure live seed (PLS) application rates as determined by the seed analysis of the mixture. Application of fertilizer will be directed by the Environmental Scientist based on a soil analysis of the wetland area to be seeded. The following mixes shall be used for this item.

Wetland Seed Mixes: In order to preserve and enhance the diversity of native wetland species, it is necessary that the source for wetland seed mixtures for use in wetland mitigation areas shall be locally obtained within the Northeast USA including New England, New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, or Maryland. Two approved seed mixtures are detailed below. Other proposed mixtures must be submitted and approved by the Environmental Scientist prior to use. The materials certification for any proposed mixture that is different from that described below must be submitted a minimum of ten (10) days prior to delivery on site. This certification must match both the previously approved substitute mixture and the seed tags on the bags that are to be removed upon delivery. No seeding shall occur if all three items do not match.

Wetland Seed Mixture: (NEWP) New England WetMix, New England Wetland Plants, Inc. 800 Main Street Amherst, MA 01002, or equal. Rate shall be 1 pound (.45kg) PLS per 2500 sq.ft. (232 sq.m.)

<u>scientific name</u> <u>common name</u>

Alisima plantago-aquatica Water plantain
Aster umbellatus Flat-top Aster

Bidens cernua Nodding Bur Marigold

Carex comosaBearded sedgeCarex crinitaFringed sedgeCarex lupulinaHop sedgeCarex luridaLurid sedgeCarex vulpinoidesFox sedge

Eupatorium maculatum Spotted Joe-pye weed

Eupatorium perfoliatumBonesetJuncus effususSoft rush

Penthorum sedoidesDitch StonecropScirpus acutusHard-stem bulrushScirpus atrovirensGreen bulrushScirpus cyperinusWool grass

Solidago graminifolia Grass-leaved goldenrod

Verbena hastata Blue vervain

Wetland Seed Mixture: (BRN) Wetland Seed Mix, Blackledge River Nursery, 155 Jerry Daniels Road, Marlborough, CT, 06447, or equal. Rate shall be 1 pound (.45kg) PLS per 2500 sq.ft. (232 sq.m.)

scientific name

Eupatorium perfoliatum

common name

Boneset

Alisma plantago-aquatica Water Plantain Asclepias incarnata Swamp Milkweed Aster novae-angliae New England Aster Carex comosa **Bristly Sedge** Carex crinita Fringed Sedge Carex intumescens Bladder Sedge Carex lupulina Hop Sedge Carex lurida Lurid Sedge Carex scoparia **Broom Sedge** Carex stricta Tussock Sedge Carez tribuloides Blunt Broom Sedge Inflated Sedge Carex vesicaria Carex vulpinoidea Fox Sedge Eupatoriadelphis maculatus Joe Pye Weed

Glyceria canadensisCanada Manna GrassGlyceria striataFowl MannagrassHibiscus moscheutosRose-mallowIris versicolorBlue flag irisJuncus acuminatusSharp-fruited RushJuncus brevicaudatusNarrow-pannicled Rush

Juncus canadensisCanada RushJuncus effususSoft RushLobelia cardinalisCardinal FlowerLysimachia terrestrisSwamp CandleMimulus ringensMonkey FlowerRhynchospora capitellataBrownish Beak RushSagittaria latifoliaBroad-leaved Arrowhead

Scirpus atrovirens Green Bulrush Scirpus cyperinus Wool Grass

Scirpus expansusWoodland BulrushScirpus hattorianusGreen BulrushScirpus validusSoft-stem BulrushSpirea tomentosaSteeplebush

Triademum virginicum Marsh St. John's Wort

Verbena hastata Blue Vervain

Construction Methods: Construction methods shall be those established as agronomically acceptable and feasible and which the Environmental Scientist approves. Seeding shall occur during the fall season immediately following construction of the wetland site. Fall seeding must occur from August 15th to October 15th. Seeding shall be applied to all areas that will not be continuously inundated constructed wetland areas. The total area of constructed wetland shall determine the amount of seed to be spread based on 1 pound (.45 kg) PLS per 2500 square feet (232 sq.m.). If seed is purchased in bulk rather than by PLS, the rate of application must be adjusted to meet the required PLS seeding rate. This seeding rate shall be increased by the appropriate percentage as determined by the following formula based off of the information provided on the seed tags at delivery.

(Germination Percentage X Purity Percentage)/ 100 = Percentage PLS

The Engineer shall verify that the seed is applied at a rate that will allow for 100 percent PLS.

Method of Measurement: This work will be measured for payment by the number of square feet (square meters) of surface area of accepted established wetland plants as specified or by the number of square feet (square meters) surface area of seeding actually covered as specified.

Basis of Payment: This work will be paid for at the contract unit price per square foot (square meter) for "Wetland Grass Establishment," which price shall include all materials maintenance, equipment, tools, labor, and work incidental thereto. Partial payment of up to 50% may be made for work completed, but not accepted. Full payment shall not be made until the area has been accepted by the Environmental Scientist.

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Wetland Grass Establishment Sq.ft. (Sq.m.)